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BUSINESS RESOURCE AND DEVELOPMENT SEMINAR THIS WEEK

Beatrice, Neb. August 11, 2003 – The Business Resource and Development Seminar will be held on Thursday, August 14, 2003 from 9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. at the Midplains Community College-McDonald Belton Campus, Room 145 601 West State Farm Road in North Platte, Neb. Registration starts at 9 a.m. with the program following at 9:30 a.m. There will be no pre-registration. A \$6 fee will be collected at the door for lunch.

This seminar will encompass the “NUTS AND BOLTS” of Business Development and Finance. Resources available to financial institutions for business start-up and expansion lending; programs offered to communities to assist in community-wide business development; and assistance at hand to prospective businesses and business leaders will be addressed.

Gain business insight from a resource panel of experts from the Nebraska Department of Economic Development, USDA Rural Development, U.S. Small Business Administration and many local and regional business resources.

The seminar is sponsored by USDA Rural Development, U.S. Small Business Administration, and the Nebraska Department of Economic Development. For more information, call Cliff Kumm, USDA Rural Development at (402) 223-3125, ext. 4 or Tara Hosick at 308-367-8844.

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